FISCAL NOTE

HB 3156 - SB 3083

March 7, 2002

SUMMARY OF BILL:

- Requires any reports prepared by the Commissioner of Education to be provided in electronic format, where practicable;
- Allows the Commissioner of Education to distribute copies of the school law to the local boards of education and all state, county and city school officials electronically.

Present law requires the Commissioner of Education to distribute copies of various reports and statistics to school boards, superintendents, and other state and local officials. Copies of school law must be sent to all city, county, and state education officials. The school law must be copied in accordance with guidelines of the state publications committee.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Expenditures - Not Significant

Estimate assumes:

- The Department of Education already places many of its reports on its website or otherwise provides them electronically. Since the bill gives the commissioner some discretion in this area, it is assumed that this would not significantly change current practice.
- Assumes some savings associated with sending documents electronically versus making hard copies and mailing them to the school districts. However, it is estimated that such savings would be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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